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COLONEL DONALD B. BORTNER

Colonel Donald Bortner is the Director of Staff and Inspector General of the 58th Special Operations Wing, Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico.

Colonel Bortner was commissioned at Officer Training School, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, in May, 1970. He is a command pilot with over 3,000 flying hours, mostly in the HC-130 and C-130E. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland and graduated from Kenston High School, Bainbridge, Ohio.

EDUCATION

- 1969 Bachelor of Business Administration, Kent State University, Kent, OH
- 1976 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
- 1977 Master of Arts, Management and Business administration, Webster University, St Louis, MO
- 1982 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
- 1984 National Security Management Course
- 1987 Air War College

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1970 - June 1971, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Columbus Air Force Base, MS
2. June 1971 - June 1974, HC-130 pilot, 54th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron, 39th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Wing, Pease Air Force Base, NH
3. June 1974 - June 1975, HC-130 Instructor Pilot, 56th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron, 41th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Wing, Korat Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand
4. June 1975 - October 1978, C-130E pilot, 61st Tactical Airlift Squadron, 314th Tactical Airlift Wing, Little Rock Air Force Base, AR
5. October 1978 - January 1982, Section Commander and Chief, Special Programs, Squadron Officer School, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
6. January 1982 - June 1982, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
7. June 1982 - May 1985, Instructor Pilot, Chief of Wing Training Division, and Technical Training Squadron Operations Officer, 1550th Combat Crew Training Wing, Kirtland Air Force Base, NM

8. October 1988 - March 1992, Operations Officer and Commander, 67th Special Operations Squadron, 39th Special Operations Wing, Royal Air Force Woodbridge, United Kingdom
9. March 1992 - June 1994, Deputy Commander and Commander, 97th Support Group, 97th Air Mobility Wing, Altus Air Force Base, OK
10. June 1994 - April 1997, Deputy Commanding Officer, Special Operations Command South, Albrook Air Force Station, Republic of Panama
11. April 1997 - April 1998, Director, Commander's Issues Team, 377th Air Base Wing, Kirtland Air Force Base, NM
12. April 1998 - June 1998, Chief, Exercise and Evaluation Branch, Office of the Inspector General, 377th Air Base Wing, Kirtland Air Force Base, NM
13. June 1998 - November 1998, Inspector General, 377th Air Base Wing, Kirtland Air Force Base, NM

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Bronze Star

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Achievement Medal

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